



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT : Farmer et al

SERIAL NUMBER : 09/509,159

EXAMINER : Vera Afremova

FILING DATE : May 28, 2003

ART UNIT :1651

FOR : TOPICAL USE OF PROBIOTIC BACILLUS SPORES TO PREVENT OR
CONTROL MICROBIAL INFECTIONS

November 7, 2005
Boston, Massachusetts

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), applicant hereby petitions for a two-month extension of time to respond to the June 6, 2005 Office Action in the above-identified application. With the extension, the response is due on or before Monday, November 7, 2005. Check #21430 in the amount of \$225.00, in payment of the fee required under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(2), is enclosed herewith.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge deposit account for any additional fees that may be due or credit any overpayment of same, Deposit Account No. 50-0311 (Reference No. 19374-501). A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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